

Amendments to the Claims

Claims 1-21 (Cancelled).

Claim 22 (Currently Amended): A system that is suitable for collecting bodily fluid from a region of the body of a person to be examined, the system comprising:

14 a lancing device which is suitable for holding a lancet, the lancet including a needle, and

a lancet magazine for storing a plurality of lancets, the lancet magazine comprising

~~a transport device adapted to travel along a guide groove within the lancet magazine to transport lancets, and~~

an opening into which the lancing device can be inserted to remove an individual lancet from the lancet magazine- in a first direction substantially parallel to a longitudinal axis of the lancing device, and

a transport device adapted to travel within the lancet magazine in a second direction substantially perpendicular to the first direction to transport lancets in the lancet magazine.

Claim 23 (Previously Added): The system of claim 22 further comprising a plurality of lancets.

Claim 24 (Previously Added): The system of claim 22 wherein the lancet magazine has an elongated, flat cuboid shape.

/ Claim 25 (Previously Added): The system of claim 23 wherein the lancets are arranged next to one another in pair-wise contact in the lancet magazine.

/ Claim 26 (Previously Amended): The system of claim 22, wherein a second opening through which protective sheaths of the lancets can be ejected is located in the lancet magazine in addition to the opening into which the lancing device can be inserted to remove a

single lancet from the lancet magazine.

✓ Claim 27 (Previously Amended): The system of claim 22 wherein the lancet magazine has a flat angular shape.

Claim 28 (Withdrawn).

✓ Claim 29 (Previously Added): The system of claim 22 wherein the transport device of the lancet magazine is a manually operated slide.

✓ Claim 30 (Previously Added): The system of claim 22 wherein the transport device of the lancet magazine is driven by a spring mechanism.

✓ Claim 31 (Previously Amended): The system of claim 22, wherein a pin is located in the opening of the lancet magazine into which the lancing device can be inserted to remove a single lancet from the lancet magazine, and the pin engages in a guide groove in the tip of the lancing device which is inserted into said opening and thus causes a rotation of the lancing device or a part of the lancing device about its longitudinal axis.

✓ Claim 32 (Previously Amended): The system of claim 22, wherein a guide groove is located in the opening of the lancet magazine into which the lancing device can be inserted to remove a single lancet from the lancet magazine; and

a pin is located in the tip of the lancing device which is inserted into said opening so that the pin engages the guide groove and thus causes a rotation of the lancing device or a part of the lancing device about its longitudinal axis.

Claims 33-42 (Cancelled).

✓ Claim 43 (Previously Added): The system of claim 22, wherein the plurality of lancets in the lancet magazine each include a sterile tip.

✓ Claim 44 (Currently Amended): The system of claim ~~33~~43, further comprising a protective sheath surrounding the sterile tip.

✓ Claim 45 (Previously Amended): The system of claim 44, wherein the protective

sheath is removed when the lancing device is inserted into the lancet magazine.

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/ Claim 46 (Previously Added): The system of claim 22, wherein the lancing device further comprises a holding tongue.

/ Claim 47 (Previously Amended): The system of claim 46, wherein the holding tongue includes a barb and an ejector.

/ Claim 48 (Currently Amended): The system of claim 22, wherein the ~~lancet~~ lancing device includes a lancet holder and only the lancet holder is inserted into the opening to remove a lancet from the lancet magazine.

/ Claim 49 (Previously Amended): The system of claim 22, wherein the opening has a substantially circular shape.

/ Claim 50 (Currently Amended): The system of claim 22, wherein ~~A system that is suitable for collecting a body fluid from a region of the body of a person to be examined, the system comprising:~~

~~a lancing device which is suitable for holding a lancet and~~

~~a lancet magazine for storing a plurality of lancets, the lancet magazine~~

~~comprising~~

~~a transport device adapted to transport lancets~~

~~an opening into which the lancing device can be inserted to remove an individual lancet from the lancet magazine, and~~

each of the plurality of lancets ~~comprising~~ comprises a lancet body having opposed recesses configured to engage the lancing device.

/ Claim 51 (Previously Amended): The system of claim 22, wherein each of the plurality of lancets comprises a pin configured to prevent the lancet from being displaced in the lancet magazine when the lancing device is inserted.

Claim 52 (Cancelled).

Claim 53 (New) A lancet magazine, comprising:

a housing,

a first opening in the housing into which a lancing device can be inserted to
remove a lancet from the lancet magazine,

a second opening in the housing out of which a protective sheath for the lancet
can be ejected, and

a transport device adapted to travel within the housing to transport lancets in
the magazine.

Claim 54 (New) A lancet magazine comprising

a storage area configured to store at least one lancet including a needle,

a removal area spaced apart from the storage area,

an opening adjacent the removal area, the opening being shaped to receive a
lancing device to remove a lancet from the magazine in a first direction substantially parallel
to a longitudinal axis of the lancing device,

and a transport device operable to travel within the lancet magazine in a
second direction substantially perpendicular to the longitudinal axis of the lancing device to
transport a lancet from the storage area to the removal area.
